पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री साथ में कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्रीमती मेनका गांधी) : (क) राजस्थान के सवाई माधोपुर जिले में सामाजिक वानिकी की विभिन्न परियोजनाओं के अन्तर्गत सातवीं योजना अवधि के दौरान 480.57 लाख रुपए की धनराशि खर्च की गई है ।

(ख) सवाई माधोपुर जिले में वनों के विनाश को रोकने के लिए जो कदम उठाए गए हैं वे हैं, वनों की सहन सुरक्षा; दोषी व्यक्तियों और कसूरवार कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध कार्रवाई, प्राकृतिक वनों के काटने पर प्रतिबंध; वनीकरण और सामाजिक वानिकी कार्यक्रमों का कार्यान्वयन; वन संरक्षण में जन-सहभागिता की वृद्धि के लिए उत्प्रेरणा और विस्तार; रणथम्मोर राष्ट्रीय उद्यान के मध्यवर्ती क्षेत्रों में ईंधन लकड़ी और चारा विकास के उपाय; लकड़ी की बचत करने वाले साधनों का प्रयोग आदि ।

वनों का विनाश एक सामाजिक-आर्थिक समस्या है जिसे एक अल्पावधि में पूर्ण रूप से रोका नहीं जा सकता । तथापि उपरिलिखित उपायों से पर्याप्त रूप में इस समस्या को रोकथाम होने की आशा की जाती है ।

Recognition to the Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh

1760. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM:

SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the membership strength submitted by Rasthtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh at the time of grant of recognition in 1986, 31st August, 1988 and thereafter to Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan;

(b) whether it is a fact that Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh was bifureated in 1989;

(c) if so, the membership strength of each of the faction soon after their convention and whether it came to 15 per cent of the total of each category of teaching staff;

(d) whether it is a fact that each of the two factions has been using the common name i.e. RKVAS;

(e) whether it is also a fact that both the factions are enjoying recognition without any justification therefor; and

(f) if so, the justification for continuing recognition thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) to (f) The Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh reported a membership of 3167 in 1986 and 4001 on 31st August, 1988. There was a split in this Association and its two factions organised parallel National Conventons in Delhi and Kanpur in September, 1989. Both the factions do use the name "Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh". All the recognised employees' associations, including the two factions of Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh (RKVAS), have been asked to furnish details of their membership. Their responses have not so far been received. No faction as such has been recognised by the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. Continued recognition of the Associations will depend on the respenses from the Associations mentioned above.

Use of Computer facility by research students of Department of Chemistry of Delhi University

1761. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased ao state:

(a) whether Government are aware that despite availability of Computers, many

students of the Chemistry Department of Delhi University are compelled to obtain the computer facility outside;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the number of research students and teachers annually using the computer facility in the said Department; and

(d) what is the number of research publications which have been made since then?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) to (c) According to the information furnished by the University of Delhi the Chemistry Department of the University has been provided with a micro computer (HP 9050, capacity one million instructions per second) by the University Grants Commission. 45 students, research scholars and teachers of the Department are utilising this computer. However, as the computer has limited capabilities, the Department itself permits students and teachers to use the central computer facilities of the University located at the Delhi School of Economics.

(d) The Department of Chemistry has published more than 200 research papers in different areas of Chemistry since the setting up of computer facility in the Department in November, 1986.

Inoperational of INSAT-IB and launching of INSAT-2 series

1762. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 103 given in the Rajya Sabha on 14th March, 1990 and state:

(a) by when INSAT-1B is likely to go out of operation;

(b) whether INSAT-2 series is being planned as a more powerful series, which would enable multifold expansion of the existing network; and

(c) if so, what are the salient features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) It is expected that INSAT-1B will continue to be in operation till October, 1990 but with increased orbital inclination.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) INSAT-2 Series is planned as a system with three spacecraft in orbit compared to the two spacecraft configuration of INSAT-1. Further each INSAT-2 satellite would provide 50 percent more capacity than INSAT-1 thus effectively more than doubling the total system capacity. INSAT-2 will utilise the extended C-band for the first time in addition to the normal C-band and S-band. The Meteorological Imaging Instrument (VHRR) on INSAT-2 will have a higher resolution than that of INSAT-1. INSAT-2 spacecraft will also carry a new Search and Rescue package that will provide alert information regarding ships, aircrafts and other vehicles in distress and equipped with appropriate beacons.

Computer facility in the Chemistry Department of Delhi University

1763. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a computer has been installed in the Chemistry Department of Delhi University under C.O.S.I.S.T. programme;

(b) if so, when was it installed;

(c) what amount was spent on its installation and the cost of annual maintenance thereof; and